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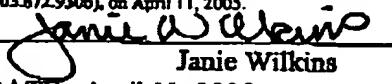
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In re Application of:)
 Katsuhiro SHIMANO et al.)
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 For: Path Network and Path Network)
 Operation Method Using Conversion)
 of Protection Path into Working Path)

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated January 10, 2005 in the patent application identified above, please reconsider the application in view of the appended remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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